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Daily report on the effects of the Israeli aggression in Palestine

Current situation in Palestine from **7 October to 4rd of November 2023 – 10:30 am**

Number of destroyed residential units and displacement	Attacks on Health Sector	Injured in Palestine	Martyrs in Palestine
More than 200 thousand housing unit > 50% **1,500,000 Palestinians internally displaced** **Almost 70%**	**More than 270**	**Gaza strip: more than 24 thousand**	**Gaza strip: 9425**
		West Bank: about 2200	**West Bank: 147**

Health statistics department in the ministry of health Ramallah oversees the data collection process through its offices in Gaza. Figures updated every 24 hours. These numbers reflect the verified statistics only but does not necessarily reflect all causalities given the fact that many victims remain missing under the rubble

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Major Events

- On the afternoon of 3 November, a convoy of ambulances evacuating patients from Shifa hospital in Gaza city to the Rafah crossing with Egypt, was struck three times in the vicinity of the hospital.

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- More than two-thirds (73%) of martyrs killed by the Israeli occupation forces are children and women and elderly.

- on 3 November, one of the generators in Shifa hospital reportedly stopped working due to lack of fuel. Another generator is still operating, covering about half of the hospital's needs. Shifa is the largest hospital in Gaza, treating thousands of patients and hosting tens of thousands of IDPs.as well as the main electricity generator of the Indonesian Hospital, in northern Gaza, had ceased to operate due to lack of fuel. Exposing thousands of patients with serious injuries to imminent risk of death or lifelong disabilities.

- For the third consecutive day, on 3 November, the Rafah Crossing between Gaza and Egypt opened for the movement of people, allowing the evacuation of only 17 wounded Palestinians to an Egyptian field hospital, alongside some 350 foreign passport holders. The Erez crossing with Israel remains closed.

- Al Quds hospital in Gaza city and the Indonesian hospital in northern Gaza were hit, reportedly during airstrikes, resulting in a large yet number of martyrs.

- Israeli Occupation Forces is still banning the entrance of Fuel into the strip. As UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini said, "without fuel, there will be no humanitarian response, no aid reaching people in need, no electricity for hospitals, no access to clean water, and no availability of bread."
- More than 70% of Gaza population (1.5 million) were forcibly displaced, with over 690,400 sheltering in 149 UNRWA facilities.

- Currently, 16 out of 35 hospitals either due to Israeli occupation forces targeted bombardment or due to lack of fuel for operations.
- Doctors are still forced to perform surgeries without anaesthesia including for those who are wounded as a result of the Israeli bombardment and women who are delivering with C-section.
- Prior to the Israeli occupation aggression, patients, including some 2,000 cancer patients from Gaza, had been referred for regular treatment in hospitals in Jerusalem. However, this practice has been halted since 7 October.

- The Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) announced that, due to the lack of fuel, it was forced to reduce the number of ambulances it operates.
- All humanitarian agencies and personnel have faced significant constraints in providing humanitarian assistance, due to ongoing Israeli occupation aggression, movement restrictions and shortages of electricity, fuel, water, medicines, and other essential items. Humanitarian partners cannot safely access people in need and warehouses where aid supplies are stored.

Attacks on the health sector

- 150 martyrs of health personnel
- 34 martyrs of the Civil Defence
- 120 wounded of health personnel
- More than 50 ambulances were attacked, 28 are damaged and out of service.
- 16/35 hospitals in Gaza and 51/72 primary health care clinics (more than two-thirds) have shut down due to damage from the bombardment or lack of fuel.
- 55% of health cluster partners stopped or limited operations due to the mass infrastructure damage.

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Health System

Gaza Strip:

- Shortage of blood: Calls continue for blood donation and appeals for outside supply of blood units.
- 95 patients per day are unable to access the specialized health care they would usually receive outside the Gaza Strip
- There are 350,000 patients with non-communicable diseases (diabetes, heart disease, cancer, etc.). 1,000 patients need dialysis, as 80% of dialysis machines are located in hospitals in the northern Gaza Strip.

- The Ministry of Health reported that its daily use of medical consumables during the Israeli occupation aggression is equivalent to its monthly consumption before.
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West Bank including east Jerusalem:

- First response -emergency capabilities have been overwhelmed by the increase in injuries due to Israeli occupation forces aggression, with high demand for emergency medical supplies in hospitals.
- The closure of Israeli occupation checkpoints, lack of safety, movement restrictions and attacks on health facilities and personnel make the movement of ambulances difficult, restrict the movement of healthcare workers, and patients' access to primary care and hospitals between West Bank towns and Jerusalem.
- Parts of Area C are still inaccessible to partners running mobile clinics, leaving residents without access to basic healthcare services.

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Destroyed buildings :

- More than 50% (almost 200,000) of housing units are destroyed.
  - The final count of destruction is not available as the bombardment is continuing.

- 42 UNRWA installations, including several designated emergency shelters (DES), have been damaged, with one of them being directly hit, resulting in 13 fatalities and 195 injuries among IDPs.
- At least 7 churches and 52 mosques damaged

Displacement

- The cumulative number of forcibly displaced people since the start of the war in Gaza is estimated at over 1.5 million almost 70 % of the population in Gaza Strip.
- 15% of forcibly displaced suffer from various disabilities, and most shelter centres are not adequately equipped to meet their needs.
- An imminent public health catastrophe looms in the setting of mass displacement, overcrowding of shelters, damage to the water and sanitation infrastructure.

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